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Dear School District Officials:

In an effort to streamline the certification process and provide more efficient and expedient service to Missouri educators, the Office of Educator Quality has moved the certification application process and database to a web-based application. All certification requests will now be made through the online system.

This new web-based certification system will allow educators easy access to their certification records and to the applications needed to apply for various certificates. It will also provide school districts the ability to approve and submit applications electronically to the Educator Certification office. In addition, all educators may now view and print their certificates from their online account.

A webinar is scheduled for June 21 at 1:00 p.m. This webinar will provide an overview of the functionality of the new certification system, as well as answer any questions you or your staff may have. If unable to participate on June 21, the webinar will be recorded and posted to the Department's website. You may access the webinar at the following link: <http://dese.mo.gov/webinar/Webinar-06-21-11-OEQ.htm>

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact this office at 573/751-0051 or certification@dese.mo.gov